

NETTLETON GENEALOGY

Following is a letter written to Charles N. Strevell by Lyman Nettleton of Orange, Conn. Charles Strevell is a full brother of John K. Nettleton, father of Elizabeth Nettleton Armour.

Orange, Conn., March 16, 1896

To Mr. Charles N. Strevell, Ogden, Utah.

My Dear Cousin and Friend:

I was very happy to hear from you through your Aunt Sarah, my cousin. But after you left Montana and went down into Utah I knew not as I should ever hear from you again. You recollect that you came from Miles City to Chicago to bury your only child Willie some years ago, and now I wish to inquire whether little Willie's place has ever been supplied in your family. I would like also to have you furnish me with the address of your brother John K. Nettleton.

I will now furnish you the names of some of the Nettleton family back to the first pioneer. In 1645 Samuel Nettleton settled in the adjoining town of Milford. I have no special knowledge of his family further than that he had one son by the name of John who was my great grandfather who purchased and settled on the tract of land which we now occupy. It is said that he had four sons: John, Joseph, Isaac, and Nathan. It is also said that John and Joseph left home, John going to Watertown, Conn., and Joseph to Ohio who has not been heard from. But Isaac and Nathan remained at home. Isaac was my grandfather, and Nathan was your great-great-grandfather. His children were John, Eli, and Nathan. Eli Nettleton married Comfort Rogers. She was my grandmother on my mother's side, and was your great-grandmother on your father's side. Their children were Comfort, Eli, Sybil, Polly, Isaac, Ephraim, and Betsy.

This last Eli of which I speak was your grandfather who died in Michigan, your father's father and your Aunt Sarah's and your Aunt Mary's father. But you have friends here in the families of your grandfather's brothers and sisters. My own mother, whose name was Comfort, was the oldest of the family,

and I am the only son living. I have one younger sister by the name of Laura M. Bradley, Orange, Conn. Your Aunt Sybil has two sons and one daughter living. Their name is Peck, and if you will address Mr. Isaac L. Peck, you will I think receive a prompt reply (Meriden, Conn.) Isaac is a mechanic and an honorable man. Another brother by the name of Dennis Peck lives in Waterbury, Conn., and a sister by the name of Pritchard, Mrs. George N. Pritchard of Waterbury.

The next aunt is your Aunt Polly Perkins. There are two sons and one daughter remaining in that family and one active grand-daughter by the name of Mrs. E. M. Smith of Waterbury. The two brothers' names are Charles and Reuben E. Perkins and Mrs. George W. Munson, all of Waterbury, Conn. They are all nicely situated and would be pleased to receive a letter from you at any time, and I think that you would receive a prompt reply from either of them.

The next of your friends in the order of the family is your Uncle Isaac Nettleton who passed away some 18 or 20 years ago. He left three sons and one daughter. The three sons are still living; two of them are living in New Haven, whose names are Elford I. Nettleton and Nathan Nettleton; both reside on Grand Ave. and would rejoice to reply to any communication which they might receive from you. Cousin Elford has two sons, the eldest is Elford C. whose address is Ansonia, Conn. The younger brother is an extra good scholar who has been somewhat unfortunate in having a partial shock of paralysis. They had two daughters, Clara, now deceased, and Evalena Robinson of Ansonia. Elford's brother Nathan is doing a good business on Grand Ave., New Haven. The other brother is Charles L. Nettleton whose address is Prospect, Conn. He has a fine family.

The next family in the order is that of your Uncle Ephraim Nettleton who was a carpenter by trade, married young and left three daughters and one son. The family were somewhat consumptive. The oldest daughter whose married name was Martha Hughes, whose oldest daughter Cate died in New Haven, was carried to Prospect for interment where the mother remained until she herself died.

The father and youngest daughter Agnes returned to New Haven in fair health, but she soon ran down under quick consumption, leaving our brother by the name of Harry Hughes, shoe dealer in New Haven. The youngest sister by the name of Sarah soon went away under consumption, leaving one sister between the oldest and the youngest by the name of Nancy, who is still living under fair health. Her husband's name is Charles Bristol, Greene St., New Haven. Your Uncle Ephraim Nettleton was always a healthy man until by mistake he drank a small quantity of potash water, after which he dwindled away, living nearly two years, leaving a wife, one son and three daughters. Their son, whose name was Henry, was married, had two daughters and one son, two of which are married and live in Hartford and are doing well. The youngest daughter, Sadie, is living with Mrs. Bristol in New Haven. We now come to the youngest sister Betsy who married a man by the name of Isaac Bradley of Prospect who was a manufacturer of Hoes and Forks, etc. The parents have passed away, leaving two sons and one daughter. Their names were Maria, Edward, and Eli. The youngest son passed away some years ago, but Edward engaged in business in New Britain manufacturing cement pipe and was doing well, but a cough took hold of him, and he ran down and sold out his business and went to California some 12 years ago. His health improved so that he lived until last August. But Maria is still living, and if you will address a letter to Miss Maria H. Bradley, corner of D and Arctic Streets, San Diego, you will be sure to hear from her.

I have furnished you with intelligence regarding your own direct ancestors, and now I will go back to my grandfather Isaac, a brother of your great-great-grandfather Nathan. Isaac Nettleton was born Feb. 25, 1730. His wife, Sarah Smith, was born Oct. 22, 1740. Now I suppose that your great-great-grandfather Nathan must have been born nearly as early as his brother Isaac. There might have been children between Isaac and Nathan, but I think that we might regard Nathan's birth as early as 1734.

Isaac Nettleton had a family of eleven children, whose names were as follows: Isaac Nettleton and Sarah Smith married July 2, 1760.

1st child - Sarah Nettleton, born Sept. 25, 1761

Isaac Nettleton, born Aug. 13, 1762 - Died Sept. 26, 1774

David Nettleton born May 30, 1766 - Died Sept. 24, 1774

Hezekiah Nettleton born June 1, 1768 - Died Sept. 24, 1774

Susanna Nettleton born Feb. 4, 1770 - Died Sept. 15, 1774

Amos Nettleton (my father) born Nov. 1, 1771 - Died April 13, 1835

Daniel Nettleton born May 16, 1773 - Died Oct. 7, 1774

Susanna Nettleton born July 22, 1775

Isaac Nettleton born Jan. 14, 1777

David Nettleton born Nov. 21, 1778 - Died May, 1843

Comfort Nettleton born Oct. 28, 1782 - Died in Ohio

My only son died one year ago last December, age 48. Since that time, we are very lonely.







